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**Hampden County Radio Association Inc.
49th ARRL affiliated year.**

April 1996

H.C.R.A. Meeting....

The next Hampden County Radio Association meeting will take place on Friday April 5th , Doors open @ 7:30pm.

This months meeting will feature Paul Shafer, KB1BE. Paul will give a talk on DX - and he can speak with authority. Paul has earned the top DX award, DX Honor Roll. He formerly worked at the DXCC Award Branch at the ARRL. If you would like to get into Dxing or want to know how to confirm that last country, you will enjoy this talk. de K1PZS

Last months meeting featured Frank NC1I with look at his EME station, and what a setup he has. Thanks Frank for the professional job and the intriguing information on 432 EME

Meeting location is Feeding Hills Congregational Church at the JCT. of Routes 57 & 187 in Feeding Hills, Ma. Any one in need of directions please contact any of the board members, hope to see you there.

The next board meeting will take place on Friday April 12th at Barry's place N1IJK. Anyone can attend if you would like further information please contact one of the board members.

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SWAP & SELL

1. NEW 72 PIN SIMMS - 4MB \$125.00 other block size simms too
2. NEW Motorola 19.2 external modem (this modem does everything) B/O.
3. YAESU FT890/AT. 2HRS USE STILL UNDER WARRANTY .. B/O

CONTACT John N1QXV @ 413-572-4952

4. Kenwood HT21at 2-meter with the following accessories...

two PB21a battery packs with wall charger
12volt DC adapter for automobile operation
C cell battery pack
manuals and original boxes ASKING \$150.00
CONTACT Dave @ 413-596-6605

5. Drake transceiver, B/O. N1LFW Kitty 739-0827

Any one who wishes to place an add in Zero Beat please contact
John N1QXV or leave a message on the Mass Gold mine BBS 736-0667.

MTARA QSO PARTY.....

The Mount Tom Amateur Repeater Association will sponsor a VHF/UHF contest beginning May 4, 1996 2 P.M. local time through 6:00 P.M. local time May 5, 1996.

CLASSES:

1. Single operator/single or multiband/low power or high power (>10W)
2. Multioperator/single or multiband/low power or high power (>10W)
3. Club/single or multiband/low power or high power (>10W)
4. Rover/single or multiband/low power or high power (>10W)

MODES: FM only

BANDS: 2 meters, 220 and 440. No repeater contacts.

SCORING: 1 point per 2 meter contact, 2 points each 220 and 440. Score 3 additional points for each contact made with club officers and trustees using identifier /MTM. Work stations once per band.

SUGGESTED FREQUENCIES: 146.49 146.55 146.58, 223.50, 446.30

EXCHANGE: Callsign, grid square, county and indicator (if applicable). Rovers will identify as such.

MULTIPLIERS: Grid squares plus counties.

SCORING: QSO points X (grid squares + counties) = Total QSO points

AWARDS: Special certificates will be awarded to first place finishers in each class. All entrants making at least 25 contacts will also receive a certificate.

Send your log entries postmarked no later than June 7, 1996 to:
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